

# PYM News & Events Update



Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

June 2017

## Upcoming Events 2017

### Called Session

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The Called Session will be at Arch Street Meetinghouse, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Snacks, drinks and childcare for children infant - middle school age will be provided.

Info & registration: [www.pym.org/event/pym-called-session](http://www.pym.org/event/pym-called-session)

*(Please RSVP by June 16 if you need childcare so that we can provide adequate support.)*

### Annual Sessions, Faith Magnified

**July 26- 30, The College of New Jersey Ewing, NJ**

We'll gather together from Wednesday through Sunday, July 26-30 to conduct business, worship together, work and witness workshops, and experience the Spirit's movement among us.

We'll share fellowship at meals, worship sharing, and other times.

*Come. Be a part of it!*

All are welcome, stay on campus full time, attend for just a day or two, or commute from home.

Registration & details: [www.pym.org/annual-sessions](http://www.pym.org/annual-sessions)

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**A Shout Out for Effective Political Advocacy (YAF Advocacy Event)**

**6-7 pm, Saturday, June 3. Pendle Hill**

Join other young adults participating in the YAFCon at Pendle Hill for dinner alongside Friends from FCNL and our Legislative Policy Collaborative. Philadelphia Yearly Meeting will cover the cost of your

meal. We'll meet to explore the work young adults are doing, have done, and want to do around legislative advocacy. We'll ask how this work might be connected to our Legislative Policy Collaborative. We'll use recent experiences of the (2017 and other) FCNL Spring Lobby Weekend as a starting point for further organizing possibilities.

Details: [www.pym.org/event/yaf-advocacy-event](http://www.pym.org/event/yaf-advocacy-event)

*(Registration still open to attend part of or the whole YAFCon by filling out the application form)*

### **Extended Meeting for Worship**

#### **June 3, Chester Friends Meeting**

Would you like to deepen your experience of Worship? Have you wished that Worship didn't end when the clock struck the hour?

The Worship and Care Standing Committee and the Meeting on Worship and Ministry invite you to experience Extended Worship.

Attend just a portion of the day or the full day. And remember to bring your lunch.

All are welcome.

Details: [www.pym.org/event/2017-extended-meeting-for-worship-jun-3/?instance\\_id=319](http://www.pym.org/event/2017-extended-meeting-for-worship-jun-3/?instance_id=319) or Lola Georg, [lolageorg@gmail.com](mailto:lolageorg@gmail.com)

### **Public Meeting of Friends at Marlborough**

#### **June 3, Marlborough Friends Meeting**

In times past, those who were particularly effective in vocal ministry might be called Public Friends. Well known examples are George Fox, John Woolman, and Elias Hicks. They were acknowledged beyond Quaker circles, making outreach much easier. All that was needed was to announce a Public Meeting at which these Friends would be present. This would draw a significant attendance even by non-Quakers.

Details: [www.pym.org/event/public-meeting-friends-marlborough/?instance\\_id=841](http://www.pym.org/event/public-meeting-friends-marlborough/?instance_id=841)

### **Friends House Moscow: Current Conditions in Russia and the Work of Friends in the Region with Julie Harlow**

#### **7 pm, June 7, Swarthmore Friends Meetinghouse**

Julie Harlow began working toward the fulfillment of the vision of a Quaker presence in Russia immediately after the collapse of the USSR in 1991. Active with the international governing board of Friends House Moscow since its inception, and currently the Clerk, she can share the challenges, disappointments and successes from its beginnings up to the current program.

Free and open to the public.

Details: [www.pym.org/event/friends-house-moscow-current-conditions-russia-work-friends-region-julie-harlow/?instance\\_id=845](http://www.pym.org/event/friends-house-moscow-current-conditions-russia-work-friends-region-julie-harlow/?instance_id=845)

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## July 2017

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### Quaker Scavenger Hunt!

#### Begins July 26 at Annual Sessions 2017

Come play! We will transcend geographic, historic and communal barriers to offer a vehicle for a deeper connection with others in our Yearly Meeting community.

Start the search at Annual Sessions!

Details: [www.pym.org/event/pym-savenger-hunt](http://www.pym.org/event/pym-savenger-hunt)

## Employment

### Office Assistant *(part time)*

Arch Street Meeting House is seeking an Office Assistant to perform a variety of office and administrative functions in support of Arch Street Meeting House.

Details: [www.pym.org/employment/office-assistant-part-time](http://www.pym.org/employment/office-assistant-part-time)

### On-call, substitute desk clerks

Friends Center is recruiting 1-2 new on-call, substitute desk clerks. The on-call desk clerk fills in when the regular day, evening, or weekend receptionist is not available.

Details: [www.friendscentercorp.org/?p=3275](http://www.friendscentercorp.org/?p=3275)

## News....

### ***Burlington Quarter to Acquire Burlington Meeting House from PYM***

For the past three years, under an agreement that ends in June, the Trustees of Burlington Meeting House have successfully run the Burlington Meeting House & Center for Conference with a dedicated group of volunteers. Based on their model of success, Burlington Quarter has agreed to take ownership of the property and plans to ask PYM to transfer it to them for a nominal amount. The Administrative Council has appointed a group to keep details moving forward with the expectation that this will come to the body for approval at Annual Sessions in July. The Burlington Meeting House property is located on High Street in Burlington City, NJ, in the center of the city's historic district. It includes an historic burial ground, a 1783 meetinghouse and a 1994 gathering space with kitchen, meeting rooms and dormitories.

### ***Grants Application Deadlines***

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting makes over 500 grants every year to individuals, Meetings, and non-profit organizations. Grants are made from income from restricted bequests and Trusts given to our Yearly Meeting by generous donors since 1795. All granting deadlines are listed by month at [www.pym.org/grants/grants-resources/grants-application-deadlines](http://www.pym.org/grants/grants-resources/grants-application-deadlines)  
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